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I received a message from Joyce Aoyama indicating that I had 4 records in the EZ/ECMS repository that need a new custodian **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**. One of the messages was reassigned to Alan (11/5/13 shade reduction file) but records folks couldn't reassign the other 3 messages on logging road issues. Rather than using the repository to search and share this record I'm sending this e-mail to the 3 of you who will be dealing with forest road issues. I would recommend that someone in the Permits Unit be the new custodian for the 3 logging road records...but I'm not sure who it will be. I'm including Alan because of the connection to OR CZARA legacy road issues. Dave

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Update on EPA HQ logging road runoff effort:

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David Powers---04/05/2012 03:17:13 PM---HQ plans to publish a FR Notice expressing EPA's intention to revise Phase I stormwater regulations

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HQ plans to publish a FR Notice expressing EPA's intention to revise Phase I stormwater regulations to specify that stormwater discharges from logging roads are not included in the definition of "stormwater discharge associated with industrial activity". In the same FR Notice EPA will express its intention to designate stormwater discharges from forest roads for regulation under a flexible, non-permitting option under section 402(p)(6) of the CWA. The FR Notice has been developed with USDA Forest Service and DOI/BLM input and could go to the FR before the end of April 2012. It will be an important piece of the information DOJ provides to the Supreme Court regarding the Federal Government's position on NEDC v. Brown.

In lay terms EPA proposes shifting logging road regulation from an industrial, effluent based permit approach to a stormwater runoff regulation approach that utilizes BMP's and accountability measures. It is similar to the Phase II stormwater program for municipalities. The universe of forest roads regulated will likely include more forest roads than the smaller subset of logging roads addressed in NEDC v. Brown. But the new regulatory approach will be more flexible and performance based than the Phase I approach.

I'm supportive of the shift generally. It will be key to include the necessary accountability elements along with adequate BMPs. Things like forest road inventories, audits, monitoring and inspections are important. A way to address legacy roads, including forest roads built prior to modern road siting and construction standards will also be key. The WA Forests and Fish RMAP program is something of a model with specified requirements to find and fix forest roads impacting WQ within specified timeframes.

A major EPA rulemaking workload will follow the April 2012 FR Notice of intent publication. The process is outlined in the attached flowchart. The proposed rule making is expected to go out in Fall 2013 with the final rule out in Fall 2014. EPA HQ

would like help from the Regions.

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Subject: Confirmed: Forest Roads standing meeting

All:

Please find materials for today's subgroup meeting attached. I will bring copies to today's meeting. While today's meeting is to discuss the EPA's action development process in general terms, we will also share draft desk statement language as well as two additional sentences we would like to add to the FR notice (see attached).

Thanks,

Jeremy

[attachment "EPA action flowchart.ppt" deleted by Mike Bussell/R10/USEPA/US] [attachment "Draft language to add to FR section on next steps and on which discharges.docx" deleted by Mike Bussell/R10/USEPA/US] [attachment "draft forest roads desk statement april 5 2012.docx" deleted by Mike Bussell/R10/USEPA/US]

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